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FOREWORD

This key is intended to give as much help as is possible in a brief form. It does not set out to be comprehensive, but to give the obvious and straightforward answer with which an intermediate student might be expected to be familiar. In the tense questions, in particular, an advanced student may be able to produce an alternative combination which is grammatically correct. But to give such answers in the key would only confuse the intermediate student who might, by luck, give one part of an alternative combination correctly without understanding the grammatical problem involved.

The following notation system is used:

- X. no word is required.
Comma. equally correct answers, *e.g. big, large.*
Semi-colon. the first answer is better, *e.g. came; was coming.*
Thus *X; that, which* indicates that English normally omits the pronoun, but that the use of *that* or *which* is grammatically possible.
Brackets. a possible alternative to a word which occurs as part of a complete sentence, *e.g. He said he (they) would come.*

The following notes on particular types of questions may help to explain the principles on which the key has been constructed.

Tenses

The figure given in brackets after each answer corresponds to a number in the tense 'key' on pages 45-46. This key gives a brief explanation of why that particular tense is used. It covers almost all the tense questions in Parts I and II, but has not been used in Part III, where the grammar becomes more elaborate and other parts of the verb besides tenses are brought into play.

Sentences

In dealing with the sentence question (always No. 3 in Papers 1 to 36), the key gives what is considered to be the most illuminating answer or information. This generally takes the form of either an example or a dictionary meaning, though where the dictionary can only give a synonym which may be unfamiliar or difficult to understand, a simpler rendering has been substituted. In the case of words which have been included because they are commonly misused in a particular way the key indicates this in brackets, *e.g.* (*not* 'at present'). Where words have been grouped together because they are frequently confused with one another, the aim of the key is to show the *difference* between them. This difference may lie not in meaning but in grammatical definition, *e.g.* *died*, *déad*, or in use, *e.g.* *rob*, *steal*.

Opposites and Stronger Forms

For the sake of consistency and economy the key gives only the immediate and obvious answer, or two such answers when there appear to be no more than two. In one or two cases several good answers are in fact possible, while in others there may be alternative answers which are possible in a limited context, *e.g.* *calm*, opposite of *rough* (*sea*), or which are possible but obsolescent, *jargon*, *slang*, etc.

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1. *a.* does not often shine (4). is shining (1).
b. stayed (13). was staying (11). met (13).
c. shall not go (9). rains (7).
d. am going, shall go (2), (9). is staying (1). wants (6).
e. does your father do (5). works (5).
2. saw, seen. bit, bitten.
wrote, written. trod, trodden.
enjoyed (2). shook, shaken.
threw, thrown. gripped (2).
3. *a.* I remember his face very well.
His face reminds me of my uncle. (= cause to remember)
b. Napoleon was a great man but not a big man.
(importance, size)
c. I listen to the radio. (Voluntary)
I hear a sound. (Involuntary)
d. He died (verb), he has died (participle).
a dead man (adjective).
4. *a.* with. *b.* of. *c.* with.
d. for. *e.* for. *f.* into; in.
5. congregation. crew.
audience. staff.
team. board.
cast. bench.

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1. a. arrived (13). was eating (11).
 b. left (13). worked (13).
 c. shall tell (9). arrives (7).
 d. told (13). arrived (13).
 e. go (5). am going (2).
 f. do not start (7). shall miss (9).
2. more, most complete. abler, ablest.
 more, most wonderful. more, most ancient.
 worse, worst. drier, driest.
 less, least. wider, widest.
 luckier, luckiest. hotter, hottest.
3. **Uncountable nouns.** Not normally used in the plural or with indefinite article.
e.g. I enjoy travel. *But* I had a good journey.
4. a. One pound fifty.
 b. Thirty and a half pence.
 c. Twenty-five past four.
 d. Seventeen thirty-nine.
 e. February the twenty-third.
 f. A pound and a half *or* One and a half pounds.
5. a. X. an.
 b. X. the.
 c. X. the.

- 1.** *a.* hear (6). are studying (1). began (13).
found (13). began (13). will find (9).
becomes (7).
b. was coming (12). prevented (13). stayed (13).
c. do not hurry (7). will miss (9).
- 2.** smoothness. steadiness.
pleasure. deed.
activity. folly.
honesty. wisdom.
length. height.
- 3.** *a.* He bought not only a car but also an aeroplane.
b. I do not know whether he will come or not.
c. I want either a book or a good magazine.
d. Neither John nor William can speak French.
e. Both John and William speak French.
f. He was so happy that he sang all day long.
- 4.** *a.* will you? *e.* shan't we?
b. didn't she? *f.* did he?
c. is there? *g.* do they?
d. doesn't he?
- 5.** *a.* a doornail, mutton. *e.* a feather.
b. a sheet. *f.* iron, a rock.
c. pitch, ink. *g.* a peacock.
d. lead.

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1. a. have (5). comes (5).
 b. shall never pass (9). work, am working (5), (1).
 c. shall know (9). comes (7).
 d. lived (13). am living (1).
 e. went, was going (13), (11). gave (13).
 do not forget (29).. shall be (9).
2. flew, flown. lay, lain.
 showed, shown. flowed (2).
 laid (2). froze, frozen.
 fled (2). cut (2).
3. a. to inhabit or ~~to~~ be alive.
 to depart or abandon.
 b. older than I (comparison).
 Distinguishes one of two *people*, usually of the same family.
 c. to be in accord (with) (intrans.).
 to consent to receive (trans.).
 d. to be surprised or curious.
 to go from place to place.
4. a. to. d. from.
 b. to. e. on.
 c. on. f. of.
5. smooth. similar, same.
 industrious, diligent. ugly.
 narrow. happy, glad.
 scarce. stupid.

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1. a. arrived (13). saw (13). was already standing (11).
said (13). is holding (1). is just going to blow (10).
b. am going (2). is (7).
shall visit, am going to visit (9), (10).
c. is coming (2). shall have (9). comes (7).
2. a. The. X. X.
b. The. a. X. X. X. X. the. X.
c. X. an.
3. Idea of 'perhaps' (*not* 'opportunity').
to visit frequently (pejorative) (*not* 'to attend').
in reality (*not* 'at present').
to persuade falsely (*not* 'to disappoint').
in the course of (*not* 'throughout').
4. courageous. picturesque.
joyful; joyous. active.
wealthy. manly.
girlish.
5. flock. set.
pack. band; gang.
fleet. pack.
flock.
swarm.

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1. *a.* are you leaving, are you going to leave, will you be leaving (2), (10), (36). go (2). shall have (9). departs (5).
b. go (7). come (7).
c. do not think (6). shall be (9).
d. went (13). was shining (11). were singing (11). wrote (13).
2. *a.* with. on, at. *d.* of. at.
b. for. *e.* on.
c. from. with.
3. certainly. nevertheless.
(not) in the least. of supreme importance,
almost. taken as a whole.
without exception. even more satisfactory.
finished.
4. poverty. responsibility.
complaint. laughter.
breadth. realisation.
trial. reality.
5. *a.* do you? *d.* haven't we?
b. didn't they? *e.* won't he?
c. will there? *f.* have you?

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1. a. am going to meet, am meeting, shall meet (10), (2),
(9). has just come (15).
b. have not seen (15). left (13).
c. has not finished (15).
is going to finish, will finish (10), (9).
d. look (6). have you had (15).
e. recognised (13). came (13). had not seen (20).
left (13).
2. a. come off. d. came across.
b. come by. e. come about.
c. came in.
3. a. s. lesson to be learnt from a story, etc.
pl. moral habits.
b. s. fourth part.
pl. lodgings, esp. of soldiers.
c. s. sight or show.
pl. glasses for the eyes.
d. s. way or method.
pl. social conduct.
4. lost (2). drew, drawn. stole, stolen.
wore, worn. hurt (2). felt (2).
meant (2). sought (2).
5. series. chiefs. mice.
potatoes. handfuls. lookers-on.
children. leaves. mothers-in-law.

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1. *a.* shall be (9). has just come (15). want (6).
goes (7). shall return (9).
b. shall be (9). is (7). have forgotten (15).
learnt (learned) (13).
c. comes (7). shall tell (9).
were just saying, have just said (11), (15).
2. *a.* in, during. at. with. for.
b. on. for.
c. of. to.
3. a drop from the eye. i. a line, ii. to propel a boat
to rend, a rent, with oars.
to conduct or precede. quarrel or noise.
a metal. to put seed.
a female pig.
4. illegal. careless.
dishonest. disloyal.
irresponsible. illogical.
ineffective. impatient.
5. well. fast.
gaily. in a friendly way; friendlily.
pathetically late.

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1. a. had finished (20). went (13).
 b. shall come (9). have finished (16).
 c. went (13). had finished (20).
 d. arrives (7). shall have finished (18).
 e. do not know (6). is coming, will come (2), (9).
 f. comes (7). will take (9).
2. a. at. c. to. about, of. in.
 b. for. d. on, in. for.
3. a. I robbed him of his purse.
 I stole his purse from him.
 b. I am seeking (for) my friend in the crowd.
 I am searching the house for my book.
 c. I arrived at the station (intrans.).
 I reached the station (trans.).
 d. Trans.
 Intrans. (reply *to*)
4. occurred (2). died (2).
 lit (2), lighted (2). woke, woken.
 cost (2). offered (2).
 chose, chosen. took, taken.
5. puppy. kitten.
 calf. foal.
 fox-cub. gosling.
 chick, chicken.

1. a. met (13). have not seen (15).
 b. will not come, does not come (9), (36).
 has been (15). think (6). has quarrelled (15).
 c. have always been, were always (15), (13).
 passed (13). saw (13). had been (20).
 d. shall never be (9). have lost (15).
2. a. gave up. e. gave out.
 b. gave out. f. gave in.
 c. gave away. g. gave up.
 d. gives on.
3. a. moral obligation.
 external necessity.
 command or instruction.
 b. as opposed to heaven: the globe, soil.
 as opposed to sea: a country.
 as opposed to air: surface of the earth.
 c. utter a specified remark, direct or indirect. (N.B. *not*
 'he said me'.)
 utter words. inform or command.
4. a new pin. a beetroot.
 a hatter, a March hare. lightning, a flash.
 brass. ditchwater.
5. a. He said it was the first time he had been there.
 b. She asked if we (they) were going to London the
 next day.
 c. He said he would come as soon as he could.
 d. He asked if we (they) were studying English or not.
 e. He said he had arrived there the week before (the
 previous week).
 f. He told me not to go until I had seen her.
 g. He asked if (whether) there were any books in that
 room.

1. *a.* will come (9). can (7). do not think (6).
 will have finished (18). leaves (7).
b. arrived (13). told (13). had seen (20).
c. has just escaped (15). are searching (1). hope (6).
 will recapture, recapture (9), (36).
2. *a.* make out. *e.* made up.
b. made for. *f.* make up.
c. made up. *g.* made over.
d. made off.
3. *a.* take. *b.* pieces of material.
 stop. garments.
c. at the side of. *d.* recently.
 in addition to. opposite of early.
4. *a.* a hundred and one pounds, thirty-nine and a half.
b. seven fifty-four B.C.
c. three minutes to three.
d. three quarters of a pound.
e. the twenty-first of March, nineteen fifty-one.
5. heroes. wolves.
 copies. witches.
 sheep. oxen.
 geese. boxes.
 handkerchiefs. buses.

1. a. has only just polished (15).
 b. came (13). has just written (15). is coming (2).
 shall meet (9). arrives (7).
 c. was shining (11). left (13). reached (13).
 had been raining (23).
 d. shall be (9). arrive (7).
2. a. on. with. b. from. to. c. at. on.
3. a. to look steadily.
 to look fixedly or rudely.
 to look furtively.
 to look quickly.
 to look with difficulty, e.g. in the dark.
 b. to occupy (for money) a room, house or land.
 to use temporarily (for money), e.g. a bicycle.
 to allow someone to occupy a room, etc., for money.
4. mean. wise.
 sane. plain.
 low. tiny.
 empty. common.
5. a. I often visit . . .
 b. The visitors greatly admired . . .
 c. The tobacconist only had . . ., (had only . . .)
 d. We always have . . .
 e. We have always thought . . .
 f. I like music very much.
 g. I very much like . . .
 h. He willingly agreed . . .